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# Monthly Meeting Minutes May 8, 2012

**Commissioners Present:** Sharon Dobson, Cher Woehl, Valerie Dougherty, Hebba Hassanein, Olga Hernandez-Smith, Susan Mender, Tish Honse, Diana Halleman, Jennifer Charlton-Shuldes, Linda Roth, Jill Paleos, and Shellome Walters **Intern:** Melayne Newman

**Absent Commissioners:** Christine Ferguson, Jamie Shopland, and Natalie Abbas.

**Guests Present:** Viv Wayne, Volunteer, Chris Osche, Symetra Tour, Sylvia Munoz, Candace Prout

## I. President's Report and Announcements

- **a.** The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.
- **b.** Guests were introduced.
- c. April 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes Commissioner Cher Woehl moved to approve the April 10, 2012 meeting minutes as submitted by the recorder. Commissioner Linda Roth seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### d. Announcements:

- Due to financial issues, the Executive Team is recommending that
  the FCCFW not send anyone to the national conference this year.
  Commissioner Charlton-Shuldes opened a discussion stating that
  she felt it was a benefit to the community to send a representative.
  A discussion ensued reviewing costs and benefits. President
  Dobson asked for a poll of who would be interested in attending.
  Four commissioners indicated they would like to go.
  Commissioner Hassanein made a motion to pay registration for two
  commissioners and hotel costs for one. Commissioner Paleos
  seconded. Motion passed by majority vote.
- President Dobson informed everyone of a pig roast and raffle to benefit Centro Hispano and
- Calendar of Events no changes.
- **II. Financial Reports** Commissioner Dobson provided the budget for the Maryland Women's Conference. Commissioner Halleman made a motion to approve the budget. Commissioner Mender seconded. The motion passed by majority vote with one abstention.

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- III. Committee Reports/Special Projects Reports were delivered by the following Committees: Outreach, Legislative, Recruitment, Volunteer, LPGA Futures Tournament, Leadership Alliance Dinner, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, and 2012 Maryland Women's Conference.
  - Outreach -Commissioner Hernandez-Smith provided a copy of the Dream Act. There was a discussion on whether the commission should support it or just provide information. It was decided that the discussion should be held under "new business."
  - Legislative Commissioner Honse reported that the Charter Government forum on April 21, 2012 was well attended and stated that another forum will be held in the fall. We hope that the League of Women Voters and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will cosponsor again. Commissioner Honse provided a report on the Legislative session at the Chamber of Commerce. Ready, set, run is being tabled due to time constraints. Commissioner Shopland provided a copy of the MLAW 2012 legislative packet.
  - **Recruitment/Volunteer** Commissioners Mender, Dobson, and Dougherty are up for reappointment. A closed session will be held following the meeting to vote.
  - **Marketing** no report.
  - LPGA Futures Tour Chris Osche of the Symetra provided an
    update of the tour. He stated that two grant applications have
    been submitted to Frederick Tourism Bureau and are likely to be
    approved for advertising and development. He publicly
    recognized Commissioners Mender, Hernandez, CharltonShuldes, and Roth for all their help. We continue to move
    forward.
  - **Leadership Alliance Dinner** Commissioner Roth provided a final report on LAD. We went \$50 over budget.
  - **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon** no update. Committee is meeting this week
  - **2012 Maryland Women's Conference** The steering committee met and prepared the sponsorship and exhibitor agreements. The contract with the Claggett Center will go out tomorrow.

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IV. Old Business – Volunteer Viv Wayne gave an overview of the "Day of the Girl. There was a discussion as to whether the commission should do a proclamation for Day of the Girl. Commissioner Woehl will check with a representative from Delta Theta Sigma to see if they want to partner with us. Commissioner Woehl made a motion to support obtaining a proclamation from the BOCC for honoring "Day of the Girl. Commissioner Mender seconded. The motion passed by majority vote. In other old business, President Dobson reminded everyone of the Frederick Memorial Hospital Health Care Forum and that they still need volunteers.

#### V. New Business –

- There was a discussion on forming an ad hoc committee to review and evaluate the committee structure. It was suggested that we really need more volunteers. President Dobson suggested that the current committee structure be reviewed and we set aside 30 minutes at the June meeting to discuss committees and roles. Everyone agreed.
- Commissioner Slate Vote The immediate past president is not available to be on the executive team. Consequently, there will be a member at large. Commissioner Woehl made a motion to nominate Sharon Dobson for President. Commissioner Paleos seconded. Motion passed by majority. Commissioner Mender make a motion to nominate Cher Woehl as Vice President. Commissioner Roth seconded. Motion passed by majority vote. Commissioner Woehl made a motion to nominate Tish Honse as Recorder. Commissioner Walters seconded. Motion passed by majority vote. Commissioner Halleman made a motion to nominate Valerie Dougherty as Treasurer. Commissioner Roth seconded. Motion passed by majority vote. Commissioner Woehl made a motion to nominate Linda Roth as member-at-large. Commissioner Walters seconded. Motion passed by majority vote.
- Commissioner Roth discussed provided leadership training for the commissioners. She found a volunteer who is willing to do the training gratis. Commissioner Dougherty made a motion to do the training. Commissioner Mender seconded. Motion passed by majority vote.



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VI. Private Session – A closed session was held to reappoint three commissioners. As President Dobson was one of the commissioners up for reappointment, she turned the meeting over to Vice President Woehl. The affected commissioners left the room. Commissioner Hassanein made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Dobson. Commissioner Walters seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Commissioner Charleton-Shuldes made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Doughtery. Commissioner Hernandez seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Commissioner Halleman made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Mender. Commissioner Roth seconded. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Affected commissioners were asked to return.

Adjournment and Meeting Announcement – A motion was made by Commissioner Halleman and seconded by Commissioner Charlton-Shuldes to close the meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote. The public meeting was officially closed at 8:55 p.m.